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## **1.0 INTRODUCTION AND OBJECTIVES**

### **1.1 INTRODUCTION**

Two reels of naturally aged Niedner RIFTS conduit were available for testing at Fort Lee, Virginia. Both reels contained approximately 500 feet of hose with a manufacturing date of July 2005. The Niedner conduit was part of a previous RIFTS testing program at Southwest Research Institute (SwRI). Since manufacturing, the hose had been exposed to diesel fuel as well as outdoor environmental conditions. Due to the aged condition of the hose, TARDEC desired burst and cyclic tests to be conducted to determine whether there were any detrimental effects on the performance of the hose. The hose reels were shipped to SwRI for testing. Results from the previous tests (SwRI project no. 09.06848) were used as an unaged baseline comparison.

### **1.2 OBJECTIVE**

The objective of this project was to perform burst and cyclic testing on the aged Niedner RIFTS conduit from Fort Lee, and then compare these results with the unaged baseline results from Niedner RIFTS testing performed by SwRI in 2006. Burst testing is used to establish the working pressure of the aged conduit, while cyclic testing is used to represent repeated deployment and retrieval in the field, and determine effects it will have on the burst and working pressure of the hose. Comparison of these results with the 2006 testing results from SwRI project number 09.06848, shows any effects the aging has had on the performance of the conduit.

## 2.0 SPECIMEN PREPARATION AND INSPECTION

### 2.1 SPECIMEN EXTRACTIONS

The two reels of hose delivered to SwRI from Fort Lee are shown in Figure 1. One reel of hose, shown on the right, was used to extract specimens for burst and cyclic testing.



**Figure 1. Hose Reels as Delivered to SwRI**

The hose was unreeled and a total of eight specimens were cut. The hose was first cut approximately two feet from the end fitting, and then specimens labeled A through H, each approximately 15 feet long, were cut in order, with A closest to the end fitting. All cuts were made with a portable band saw for efficiency and consistency. Figure 2 through Figure 4 illustrate the specimen extraction process.

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**Figure 2. Unreeeling of Hose before Cutting Specimens**

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**Figure 3. Cutting a Specimen with Portable Band Saw**



**Figure 4. Specimens after Cutting**

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## **2.2 SPECIMEN INSPECTIONS**

The eight specimens cut from the hose reel were measured and inspected for damage. When measuring the specimens approximately 3 hours after the specimens had been cut, it was noted that the outer jacket and the inner liner were no longer even. For this reason, measurements of both the jacket and liner were recorded for each specimen. These measurements are provided below in Table 1, along with notes of any damage present. It would appear, based on the original cut length of 15 feet, that the liners expanded. Figure 5 shows the specimens just after inspection. Figure 6 shows the ends of the stacked specimens, where the difference in length of the jackets and liners is clearly visible.

**Table 1. Lengths of Hose Specimens and Inspection Notes**

<b>Hose Specimen</b>	<b>Length of Jacket (inches)</b>	<b>Length of Liner (inches)</b>	<b>Notes</b>
A	180 $\frac{1}{4}$	181 $\frac{1}{2}$	Tear in outer layer of jacket
B	180	181	No damage noted
C	179 $\frac{1}{2}$	181 $\frac{1}{4}$	Abrasion in outer layer of jacket
D	180	181 $\frac{1}{2}$	No damage noted
E	180 $\frac{1}{4}$	182	No damage noted
F	180 $\frac{1}{2}$	181 $\frac{3}{4}$	No damage noted
G	180 $\frac{1}{4}$	181 $\frac{1}{2}$	No damage noted
H	180 $\frac{1}{2}$	182 $\frac{1}{4}$	No damage noted
All hoses had a nominal diameter of 6 inches.			

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**Figure 5. Hose Specimens After Inspection**



**Figure 6. Liner Expansion after Cutting Specimens**

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The condition of all of the cut specimens was soiled but otherwise good, with the exception of specimens A and C. There was a small hole in the outer layer of the jacket of specimen A as shown in Figure 7. This was located 60 inches from one end of specimen A. The damage to specimen C was a less significant abrasion to the outer layer of the jacket located 9 inches from one end, shown in Figure 8. Neither of the anomalies were considered to be major damage that would exclude the specimens from testing; therefore, no actions were taken to repair or remove the damage. The notes from the specimen preparation and inspection are presented in Appendix A.



**Figure 7. Hole in Outer Layer of Jacket of Specimen A**



**Figure 8. Abrasion to Outer Layer of Jacket of Specimen C**

### **2.3 END FITTING ASSEMBLY**

Before performing any testing on the hose specimens, end fittings were assembled on each end. The procedure followed for assembling the end fittings is presented in Table 2. The only variation from this procedure was that the hardware for specimen A was torqued to 45 ft-lbs, whereas all subsequent specimen end fittings were torqued to 40 ft-lbs. This change was due to the limitations of the hardware being used (3/8-24 x 2 1/2" grade L9). The end fitting assembly process is summarized in Figure 9 through Figure 12.

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**Table 2. End Fitting Assembly Procedure**

Step No.	Description
1	Cut the Aramid jackets and bladder lining equally across one side of the conduit section and trim any excess Aramid yarns.
2	Apply lubricant to both the inside of the conduit section (bladder) and to the exterior mating surface of the shank.
3	With the aid of a wooden striking surface, insert the shank into the conduit section leaving no more than a 1-inch gap between the flange face and the end of the conduit.
4	Lightly bolt two sets of collars together with three bolts each, forming 2 collar halves. Be sure to use new grade L9 bolts and nuts. A washer should be used on both ends of bolts.
5	Align the 2 collar halves together around the ridged end of the inserted shank. Be sure to properly align the ridges of the collars to those of the inserted shank, and ensure the tapered side of the collars is facing the length of the conduit section.
6	Lightly bolt the 2 collar halves together on one side only, then clamp the other side of the 2 collar halves together using 3-inch C-clamps and tighten until that side can be lightly bolted together.
7	After all bolts have been inserted, gradually tighten all bolts equally to 40 ft-lbs (do NOT lubricate bolts). Be sure to maintain equal spacing between the collars, then attach a lock nut to each bolt.

**Figure 9. End Fitting Shank and Collars**

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**Figure 10. Inserting Shank into Conduit**



**Figure 11. Installing End Fitting Collars**

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**Figure 12. Assembled End Fitting**

## 3.0 BURST TESTING

Burst testing was performed to determine both the ultimate pressure load the conduit can withstand, as well as the conduit working pressure. The working pressure was calculated from the average burst pressure using a 3-to-1 factor of safety. Four of the hose specimens (A, B, C, and D) were burst in the same condition as they were extracted from the hose reel; no other testing was performed on these specimens. The remaining specimens (E, F, G, and H) underwent cyclic testing before being burst. The results of all of the burst tests are presented below. The notes on calibration of the pressure transducer used for burst testing are presented in Appendix B.

### 3.1 BURST TESTING PROCEDURE

The steps of the burst testing procedure are presented below in Table 3. For those specimens that underwent cyclic testing before being burst, some of these steps had already been completed as part of the cyclic testing procedure.

**Table 3. Burst Testing Procedure**

Step No.	Description
1	End plugs should be installed on both ends of the conduit using IPDS couplings to attach them to the conduit end fittings.
2	Setup the plumbing for the pump to pressurize the conduit.
3	Setup the data acquisition system (DAS) and check for proper operation, with a scan interval no greater than 1 Hz.
4	Visually inspect the conduit section and document the conduit's condition on the data sheet. The conduit should be supported by the PVC rollers along the length of the section.
5	Ensure that the conduit section is not twisted.
6	Photograph the test setup from multiple angles making sure at least one photo shows the entire test sample.
7	Attach the water inlet line, pressure transducer line, and thermocouples to the end plugs.
8	Fill the conduit with water and purge as much air as practical from the conduit (approximately 60 psig in hose).
9	Close the inlet and exit water lines.
10	With approximately 60 psig (city water pressure) in the hose, measure the length of the conduit length overall (LOA) and length of hose between collars (free length) with the measuring tape (document on data sheet).
11	Make sure that the video cameras are positioned correctly to record the burst.
12	Ensure that all personnel have cleared the area before proceeding and that proper means have been taken to warn/prevent bystanders from approaching testing facilities.
13	Record the filename on the data sheet and make sure that there is adequate media to video record the burst test.
14	Activate DAS and video recorder. After checking for proper operation, turn on the pump.
15	Increase pressure on the conduit at a continuous rate. The target rate of increase is 1000 psig per minute.
16	Allow the conduit section to burst and record the burst pressure.
17	Turn off the pump and de-activate the DAS and video recorder. Label the video file/tape.
18	Visually examine the conduit and take photographic records. Also, note the condition of the conduit on the data sheet.
19	Record the date and burst pressure on the conduit section with a paint pen.

### 3.2 BURST TESTING RESULTS

The results of the burst testing are presented below in Table 4, along with an indication of which specimens underwent cyclic testing prior to burst testing. The length presented in Table 4 is that of just the conduit, as if the end fittings were not there, pressurized to approximately 60 psig. Note that all specimens failed due to a longitudinal tear of the jacket weft threads that occurred on or very near the crease made when the hose is lying flat. There were no end fitting failures. Neither specimen A nor C failed at or near the damage noted in section 2.2. The data sheets from the burst testing are presented in Appendix C.

**Table 4. Summary of Burst Testing Results**

Specimen	Length (inches) <sup>1</sup>	Burst Pressure (psig)	Failure Mode	Underwent Cyclic Testing
A	182 1/2	1504	Longitudinal tear of jacket and liner	No
B	180	1610	Longitudinal tear of jacket and liner	No
C	181 1/2	1886	Longitudinal tear of jacket and liner, small transverse tear of liner	No
D	181 1/2	1767	Longitudinal tear of jacket and liner	No
E	186 1/16	1324	Longitudinal tear of jacket and liner	Yes
F	184 1/2	1712	Longitudinal tear of jacket and liner	Yes
G	184 3/4	1680	Longitudinal tear of jacket and liner	Yes
H	187	1534	Longitudinal tear of jacket, blowout of liner	Yes

<sup>1</sup>Measured length of conduit pressurized to approximately 60 psig

The average burst pressure of the four specimens that were not cycled (A, B, C, and D) was 1,692 psig, with a standard deviation of 169 psig. Applying the 3-to-1 safety factor yields a working pressure of 564 psig, which was rounded down to a nominal value of 550 psig. This working pressure was used for the cyclic testing of the remaining specimens (E, F, G, and H), which is described in section 4.0. After cycling, the average burst pressure of the four remaining specimens was 1,563 psig, with a standard deviation of 177 psig. Therefore, the cyclic testing reduced the average burst pressure of four specimens by 129 psig, which is equivalent to a 43 psig reduction in working pressure. It should be noted, however, that the average burst pressure for each group of specimens is within the standard deviation of the other. Regardless, the cyclic testing did appear to have a clear effect on the performance of the specimens. Of the four cycled specimens, the burst failure of three occurred in the region that underwent bending cycles. Also, significant elongation occurred due to the pressure cycles. The burst testing setup and associated failure of each specimen

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is presented in Figure 13 through Figure 35. The data time-history graphs for each test are presented in Appendix D.

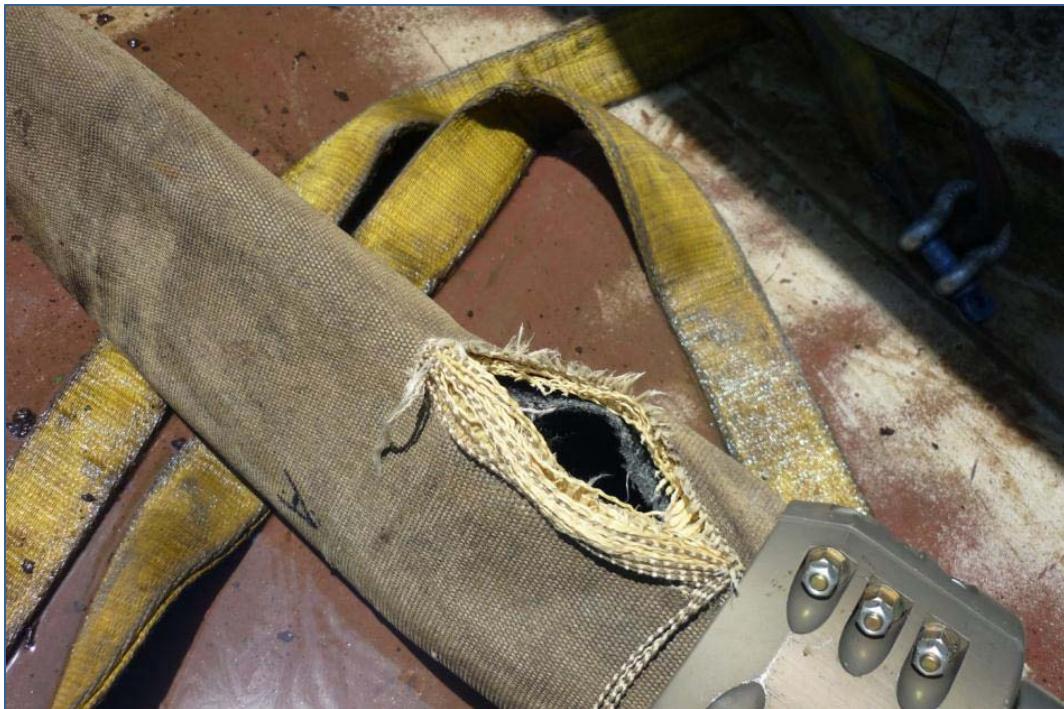


Figure 13. Specimen A Burst Testing Setup



Figure 14. Specimen A Burst Testing Failure

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**Figure 15. Specimen A Burst Testing Failure Close-Up**



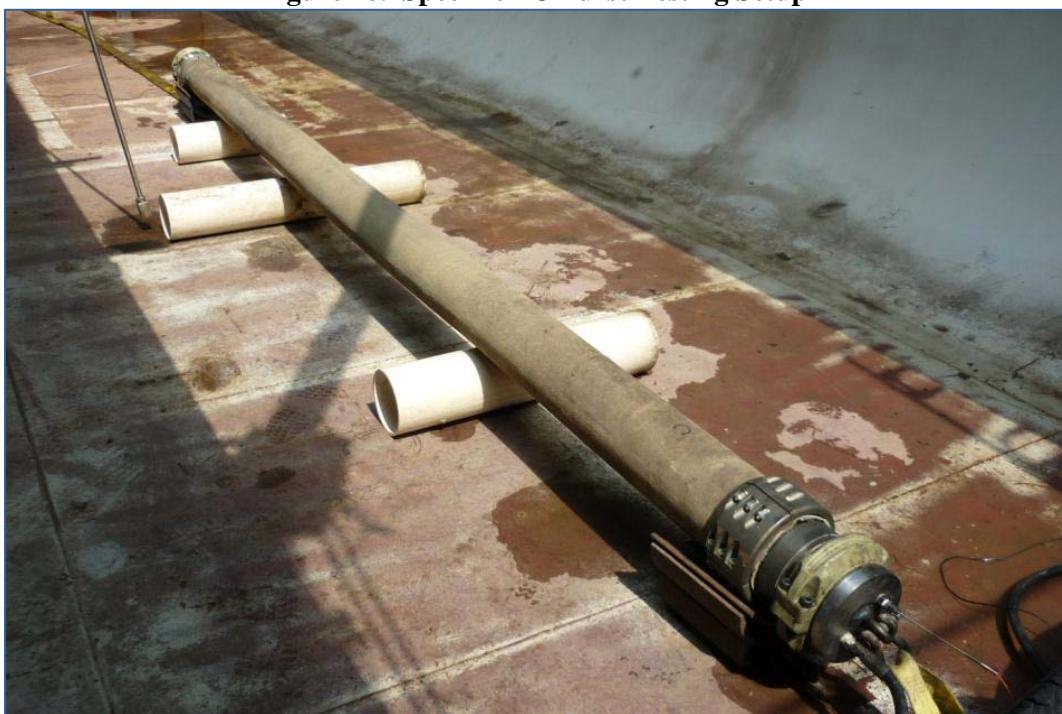
**Figure 16. Specimen B Burst Testing Setup**

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**Figure 17. Specimen B Burst Testing Failure Close-Up**

**Figure 18. Specimen C Burst Testing Setup**



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Figure 19. Specimen C Burst Testing Failure

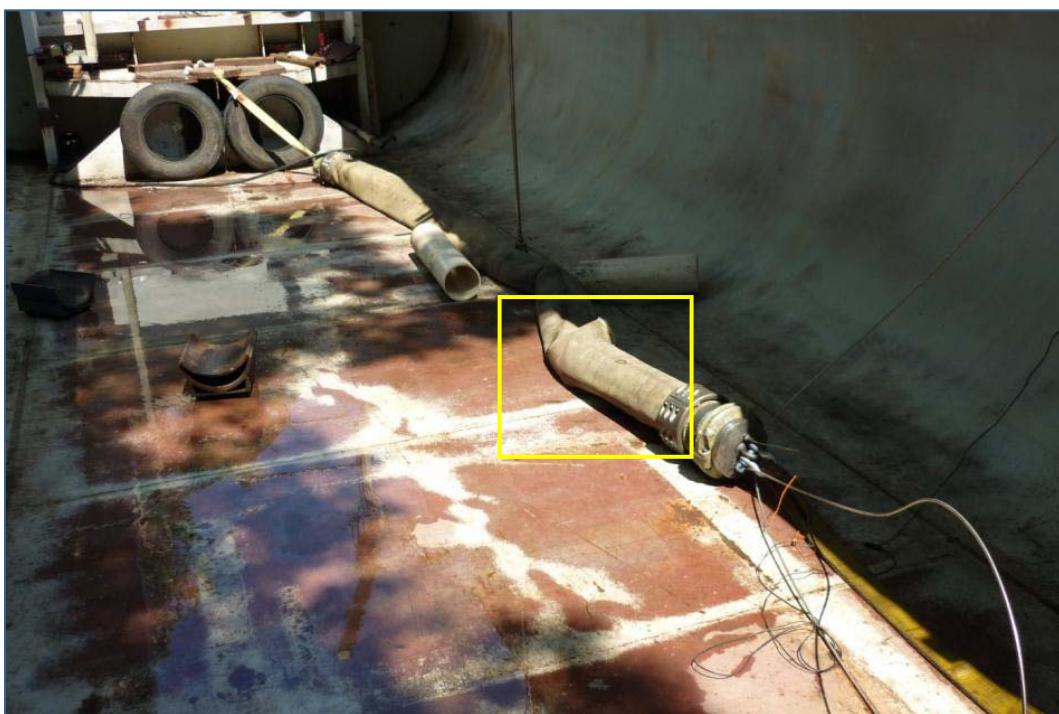


Figure 20. Specimen C Burst Testing Failure Close-Up

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**Figure 21. Specimen D Burst Testing Setup**



**Figure 22. Specimen D Burst Testing Failure**

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Figure 23. Specimen D Burst Testing Failure Close-Up



Figure 24. Specimen E Burst Testing Setup

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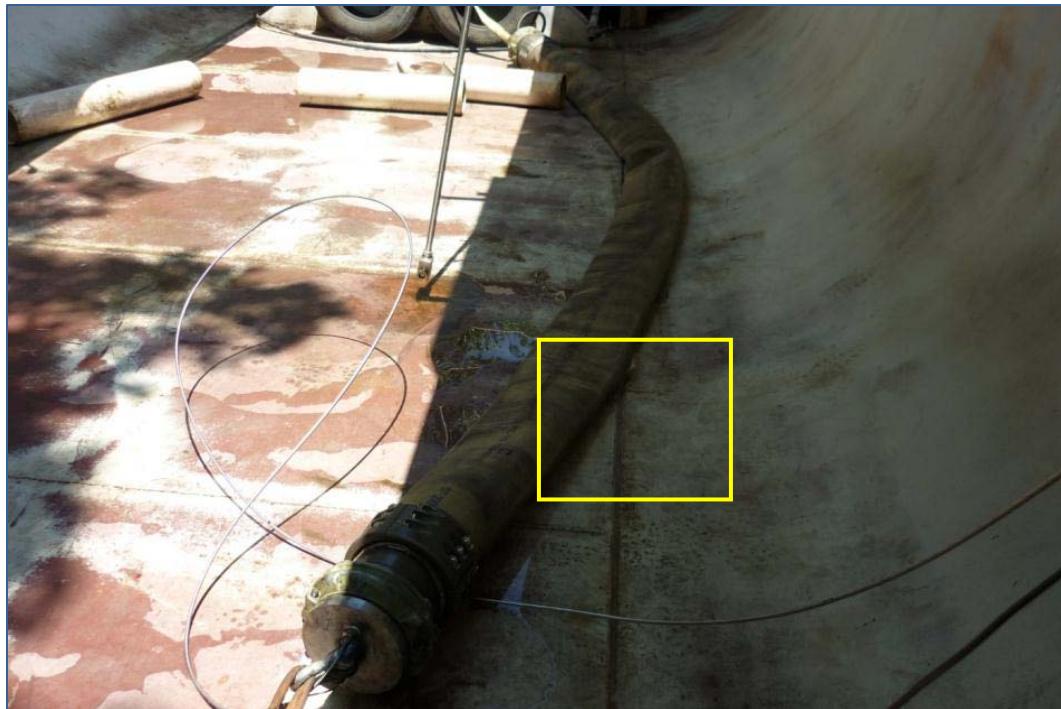


Figure 25. Specimen E Burst Testing Failure



Figure 26. Specimen E Burst Testing Failure Close-Up

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Figure 27. Specimen F Burst Testing Setup



Figure 28. Specimen F Burst Testing Failure

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**Figure 29. Specimen F Burst Testing Failure Close-Up**



**Figure 30. Specimen G Burst Testing Setup**

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**Figure 31. Specimen G Burst Testing Failure**



**Figure 32. Specimen G Burst Testing Failure Close-Up**

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Figure 33. Specimen H Burst Testing Setup



Figure 34. Specimen H Burst Testing Failure

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Figure 35. Specimen H Burst Testing Failure Close-Up

## 4.0 CYCLIC TESTING

Cyclic testing was performed to simulate the conditions experienced by the actual conduit due to deployment and retrieval in the field. This testing involved both alternating bending cycles and pressurization cycles. The bending cycles were performed by threading the hose specimen around a small (3-inch) and large (36-inch) roller. One end of the specimen was connected to a 142-lb dead weight and the other to a winch, allowing a portion of the specimen to be cycled through the rollers. The bending cycle fixture is shown in Figure 36 and Figure 37. For the pressurization cycles, a working pressure of 550 psig was used. See Appendix B for calibration information on the pressure transducer used for pressurization cycles. Cyclic testing was performed on specimens E, F, G, and H before undergoing burst testing.



**Figure 36. Bending Cycle Fixture**

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**Figure 37. Bending Cycle Fixture Close-Up**

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#### **4.1 CYCLIC TESTING PROCEDURE**

The cyclic testing procedure is presented in Table 5. For specimens E, F, G, and H, the burst testing procedure, described in section 3.0 of this report, immediately followed cyclic testing.

**Table 5. Cyclic Testing Procedure**

<b>Step No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
1	End Plugs should be installed on both ends of the conduit using IPDS couplings to attach them to the conduit end fittings.
2	Measure the length of the conduit with the measuring tape (document on data sheet).
3	Ensure that the couplings are properly installed on each end of the conduit section.
4	Visually inspect the conduit section and document the conduit's condition on the data sheet.
<b><i>Bending Cycles</i></b>	
5	Thread the conduit into the bending cycle fixture. If there is wording on only one side of the conduit, position the conduit section with the wording facing away from the 36" roller.
6	Attach the counterweight to the free end of the conduit section and attach the other end to the winch.
7	Mark the extreme positions of the hose for reference when performing the cyclic testing (8" from coupling – start of 3" roller, 49" from coupling – start of 36" roller).
8	Photograph the test setup from multiple angles making sure at least one photo shows the entire test sample.
9	Ensure that only the winch operator is in close proximity to the testing apparatus before proceeding and that proper means have been taken to warn/prevent bystanders from approaching testing facilities.
10	Commence cyclic testing and subject the conduit to 100 bending cycles. Indicate the completion of the bending cycles on the data sheet and include the date.
11	Remove the conduit from the bending cycle fixture and transfer the conduit to the pressure testing site.
<b><i>Pressurization Cycles</i></b>	
12	End Plugs should be installed on both ends of the conduit using IPDS couplings to attach them to the conduit end fittings.
13	Set up the plumbing for the pump to pressurize the conduit.
14	Setup the data acquisition system (DAS) and check for proper operation, with a scan interval no greater than 1 Hz.
15	Visually inspect the conduit section and document the conduit's condition on the data sheet. The conduit should be supported by the PVC rollers along the length of the section.
16	Ensure that the conduit section is not twisted.
17	Photograph the test setup from multiple angles making sure at least one photo shows the entire test sample.
18	Attach the water inlet line, pressure transducer line, and the thermocouples to the end plugs.
19	Fill the conduit with water and purge as much air as practical from the conduit (approximately 60 psig in hose).
20	Close the inlet and exit water lines.
21	With approximately 60 psig (city water pressure) in the hose, measure the conduit length overall (LOA) and length of hose between collars (free length) with the measuring tape (document on data sheet).
22	Make sure that the video cameras are positioned correctly to record the subsequent burst. It is not necessary to record video of the pressure cycles.
23	Ensure that all personnel have cleared the area before proceeding and that proper means have been taken to warn/prevent bystanders from approaching testing facilities.
24	Record the filename on the data sheet.
25	Activate DAS.
26	Turn on the pump and check the DAS system for proper operation.
27	Pressurize the conduit to the working pressure (min) then back down to 60 psig (min) for a total of 20 pressure cycles. Indicate the completion of the pressure cycles on the data sheet and include the date. De-activate the DAS.
28	After completing all 20 cycles, with approximately 60 psig in the hose, measure the conduit length overall (LOA) and length of hose between collars (free length) with the measuring tape (document on data sheet).

## 4.2 CYCLIC TESTING RESULTS

Specimens E, F, G, and H underwent bending and pressurization cyclic testing without sustaining any considerable damage or failures; however, some effects were noted as a result of the testing. The bending cycles introduced additional creases on the specimens caused by the small (3-inch) roller, and three of these specimens failed in this region when burst. This effect is shown below in Figure 38. The pressurization cycles brought about a notable change in length for each specimen. These results are presented in Table 6. As with the previous measurements, these lengths are of the conduit (as if the end fittings were not there) pressurized to approximately 60 psig. The data sheets from the cyclic testing are provided in Appendix C.



Figure 38. Creases Caused by Bending Cycles

Table 6. Change in Length from Pressurization Cycles

Hose Specimen	Length Before (inches) <sup>1</sup>	Length After (inches) <sup>1</sup>	Notes
E	182	186 $\frac{1}{16}$	20 pressurization cycles to 550 psig
F	182	184 $\frac{1}{2}$	20 pressurization cycles to 550 psig
G	181 $\frac{7}{8}$	184 $\frac{3}{4}$	20 pressurization cycles to 550 psig
H	184	187	20 pressurization cycles to 550 psig

<sup>1</sup>Measured length of conduit pressurized to approximately 60 psig

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After completing cyclic testing, specimens E, F, G, and H were burst and those results have been presented in section 3.2. The cyclic testing resulted in a reduction of 129 psig of the average burst pressure when compared to the uncycled specimens. Figure 39 through Figure 46 show the bending and pressurization setup for each specimen. The data time-history graphs of the pressurizations cycles can be found in Appendix D.



**Figure 39. Specimen E Bending Cycles Setup**

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**Figure 40. Specimen E Pressurization Cycles Setup**



**Figure 41. Specimen F Bending Cycles Setup**

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**Figure 42. Specimen F Pressurization Cycles Setup**



**Figure 43. Specimen G Bending Cycles Setup**

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**Figure 44. Specimen G Pressurization Cycles Setup**



**Figure 45. Specimen H Bending Cycles Setup**

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**Figure 46. Specimen H Pressurization Cycles Setup**

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## 5.0 COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS RESULTS

Similar testing was performed previously on unaged baseline Niedner RIFTS conduit under SwRI project number 09.06848. Before comparing the results, there are some differences that should be noted. The burst testing performed in the previous project was a sensitivity study to determine the appropriate specimen length for burst testing. The cyclic testing performed in the previous project was more similar to the current effort, although the specimens typically underwent more pressurization cycles. Some specimens were also subjected to collapse cycles, in which the hose was collapsed after pressurization. However, the results from the cyclic testing showed that the effect of the pressurization and collapse cycles was small compared to that of the bending cycles. For the previous project, fourteen burst tests were performed with an average burst pressure of 2,019 psig. Using a safety factor of 3-to-1, this would yield a nominal working pressure of 650 psig. Based on this value, the working pressure of the aged Niedner RIFTS conduit is approximately 100 psig lower than that of the unaged conduit. In the previous cyclic testing, twelve specimens were subjected to varying amounts of bending and pressurization cycles. The average burst pressure of the cycled specimens was 1,600 psig, representing a 419 psig reduction versus the uncycled specimens. This is a more significant reduction compared to the current results, although the current specimens experienced as many or more bending cycles than did the unaged baseline specimens. Overall, when comparing the uncycled burst results, the aged condition has reduced the working pressure from 650 psig to 550 psig. However, if looking at the cycled burst results, the aged condition is not much different than the unexposed baseline, with only 37 psig separating the average cycled burst pressures.

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## **6.0 LINER EXPANSION**

Additional information was requested by TARDEC regarding the apparent expansion of the conduit liner observed during extraction and inspection of the specimens. A ninth specimen, labeled I, was extracted from the same hose reel as the first eight samples. Because the liner had already expanded on the end of the hose reel, the first 15-foot length was cut off as scrap and then Specimen I, approximately 15 feet long, was cut. Immediately after extracting Specimen I, the jacket and liner lengths were measured. Note that the liner had already expanded approximately one inch. These measurements were repeated six times at the intervals noted in Table 7. Over a period of 48-hours from the time of extraction, the liner expanded a total of 3 inches, with the majority of this expansion occurring in the first six hours. Specimen I, just after cutting and then after 48 hours, is shown below in Figure 47 and Figure 48, respectively. Notes from this investigation are presented in Appendix E.

**Table 7. Liner Expansion Measurements of Specimen I**

<b>Measurement No.</b>	<b>Length of Jacket (inches)</b>	<b>Length of Liner (inches)</b>	<b>Time</b>
1	179 $\frac{3}{4}$	180 $\frac{3}{4}$	Immediately after extraction
2	179 $\frac{3}{4}$	181 $\frac{1}{4}$	1 hour
3	179 $\frac{5}{8}$	181 $\frac{1}{2}$	2 hours
4	179 $\frac{3}{4}$	182 $\frac{1}{8}$	4 hours
5	179 $\frac{3}{4}$	182 $\frac{1}{2}$	6 hours
6	179 $\frac{3}{4}$	182 $\frac{5}{8}$	24 hours
7	179 $\frac{3}{4}$	182 $\frac{3}{4}$	48 hours

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**Figure 47. Specimen I, Immediately after Extraction**



**Figure 48. Specimen I, 48 Hours after Extraction**

## 7.0 CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Burst and cyclic testing has been performed on aged Niedner RIFTS conduit manufactured in July 2005. The hose had been previously exposed to diesel fuel and was stored in an outdoor environment for approximately 5-6 years. A summary of the results is presented here:

- Eight 15-foot specimens were extracted from a 500-foot reel of aged Niedner RIFTS conduit. Four specimens were used for burst testing in their present condition. Minor damage was noted on two specimens, but neither specimen burst at the damaged location. The other four specimens were first subjected to bending and pressurization cyclic testing, followed by burst testing. Expansion of the liner for each specimen was observed.
- Four specimens (A, B, C, and D) were burst in order to establish the working pressure of the aged conduit using a 3-to-1 safety factor. The average burst pressure of these specimens was 1,692 psig, yielding a nominal working pressure of 550 psig. The remaining specimens (E, F, G, and H) were burst after cyclic testing, with an average burst pressure of 1,563 psig. This represents a 129-psig reduction in burst pressure due to cyclic testing. All specimens failed by way of a longitudinal tear on or near the crease caused when the hose is lying flat.
- Specimens E, F, G, and H were subjected to cyclic testing involving 100 bending cycles and 20 pressurization cycles each. The working pressure of 550 psig was used for the pressurization cycles. Minor wear was noted due to the bending cycles, and the pressurization cycles resulted in the conduit stretching approximately 2" to 4". Three of the specimens failed in the worn region caused by the bending cycles when burst.
- When compared to the testing results from SwRI project number 09.06848, the aged Niedner conduit has a working pressure 100 psig less than that of the unaged baseline conduit. It was also noted that the cyclic testing had less effect on the burst pressure of the aged conduit than the unaged baseline conduit.

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- Further documentation of the liner expansion was made. The liner was found to expand immediately after cutting, and expanded a total of three inches per a 15-foot specimen over a period of 48-hours. The majority of this expansion occurred within six hours after cutting.
- As with any experimental data, testing of more specimens would provide more extensive data and a more accurate representation of the performance of the aged Niedner RIFTS conduit. Also, the liner expansion could be investigated further to determine the relationship, if any, between the hose length and the amount of liner expansion.

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## APPENDIX A

### **Preparation and Inspection Notes**

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 TEST PROCEDURE REF. Specimen Preparation and Test Inspection PROJECT NO.: 14734.15.501

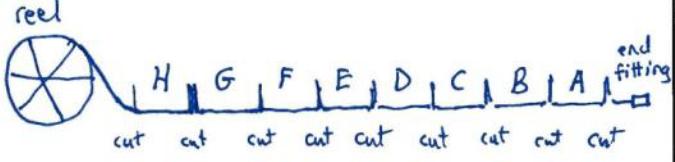
Date	Time	Initials	Observations
5/9/2011	9:30 AM	OH	Brief inspection of hose as it was left behind Bldg. 99. Two reels of hose. Three end fittings visible... Most likely four are present. Hose is clearly aged. Pictures taken. Reels will now be moved to slab on east side of Bldg. 71.
6/6/2011	10:00 AM	OH	Hose reels are located behind Bldg. 71. One end fitting was cut from hose by Division 8. We will cut other end fitting (from other reel) and share these for all testing to avoid having to unreel both reels completely. Portable band saw (with blade reversed) will be used to cut hose. Eight (15-foot) pieces will be cut from reel with end fitting still attach (see pictures). This will give (6) test articles plus (2) extra.

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Date	Time	Initials	Observations
6/6/2011	12:00PM	OH	<p>Hose was unreeled and eight specimens, 15-feet each, were cut using bandsaw.</p> <p>Hose was first cut approximately 3 feet from base of end fitting and then the eight (15-foot) specimens were cut. Specimens were labeled A through G as shown below.</p> <p>Again, note that six specimens are required for testing and two are for extra tests if time and budget allows.</p> <p>reel</p>  <p>all specimens approximately 15-feet.</p> <p>Next, specimens will be inspected and any damage noted and then specimen A will be assembled with end fittings.</p>

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Date	Time	Initials	Observations
6/6/2011	2:50 PM	O/H	<p>Disassembled end fitting was recovered from Division 8. Cut end of hose with end fitting was disassembled and end fitting removed. All hardware disposed of as new hardware was purchased and old hardware had significant corrosion. Pictures taken of disassembled end fittings.</p> <p>Specimen inspections:</p> <p>A: tear in outer layer, noted in pictures otherwise OK  length of Aramid: 15' <math>\frac{3}{4}</math>"  <del>B:</del> length of bladder: 15' <math>1\frac{1}{2}</math>"</p> <p>B: no damage noted  length of Aramid: 15'  length of bladder: 15' 1"</p> <p>C: abrasion of outer layer, noted in pictures  otherwise OK  10A: 14' <math>11\frac{1}{2}</math>"  10B: 15' <math>1\frac{1}{4}</math>"</p>

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Date	Time	Initials	Observations
6/6/2011	3:30 PM	OH	<p>D: no damage noted            loA (length of Aramid): 15'            lob (length of bladder): 15' 1-<math>\frac{1}{2}</math>"</p> <p>E: no damage noted            loA: 15' <math>\frac{1}{4}</math>"            lob: 15' 2"</p> <p>F: no damage noted            loA: 15' <math>\frac{1}{2}</math>"            lob: 15' 1-<math>\frac{3}{4}</math>"</p> <p>G: no damage noted            loA: 15' <math>\frac{1}{4}</math>"            lob: 15' 1-<math>\frac{1}{2}</math>"</p> <p>H: no damage noted            loA: 15' <math>\frac{1}{2}</math>"            lob: 15' 2-<math>\frac{1}{4}</math>"</p> <p>All dimensions are approximate. Other than being dirty, hose specimens seem to be in good condition, other than damage noted on A and C.</p>

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Date	Time	Initials	Observations
6/6/2011	4:00PM	OH	<p>It should be noted that <del>bladders</del> the bladders of each specimen seems to have expanded. The specimens were cut as close as possible to 15', yet the bladders measure longer and stick out of the Aramid jacket. It is unknown whether this is due to heat exposure or some other cause. This can be reinvestigated in the morning when it's cooler (it was approximately 100°F this afternoon).</p>
6/7/2011	10:00AM	OH	<p>The bladders had not contracted this morning, meaning it is probably not temperature related. Perhaps just the stress relief of cutting the hose into short pieces. Regardless, the excess bladder will be cut off when the end fittings are installed. Additional pictures taken, particular of damage to A and C. Measurements of damage:</p> <p>Specimen A : damaged 60" from end    Specimen C : damaged 9" from end    See pictures</p>

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Date	Time	Initials	Observations
6/7/2011	3:00 PM	OH	Assembling end fittings onto specimen A for burst testing. Following procedure titled "End Fitting Assembly" for this project. All end fitting assemblies between tests will follow same procedure. Extra pictures will be taken as it will be representative of all tests. Any anomalies will be noted and photographed for this assembly and all future assemblies.
6/7/2011	4:30 PM	OH	End fittings have been assembled onto Specimen A. Torquing bolts to 60 ft-lbs. proved to be too much: one bolt was broken and another was stripped. It was decided to reduce torque to 45 ft-lbs. to prevent damaging hardware. Burst testing will show if this torque is sufficient to prevent failure of end fitting, but 60 ft-lbs. is too much for the L9 hardware.

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Date	Time	Initials	Observations
6/1/2011	4:30 PM	OH	<p>Torque wrench used for all end fitting assemblies: AN: 011768            SN: 4050325131            calibrated: May 17, 2011            due: Nov. 17, 2011</p> <p>One end fitting had a plugged port and the other had a pressure tap w/cap and a rubber cushion (see pictures). The pressure tap will be replaced with a plug in order to prevent potential damage to the port and/or end fitting (due to clearance or obstruction of pressure tap and rubber cushion).</p> <p>This concludes specimen preparation and inspection. End fitting assembly will follow same procedure for all test specimens.</p>

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## **APPENDIX B**

### **Pressure Transducer Calibration**

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Date	Time	Initials	Observations	
6/8/2011	5:00PM	OH	Pressure transducer calibration using dead weight tester.	
			<u>data point</u>	<u>voltage</u>
			0 psig	0.021 V
			1000 psig	1.019 V
			2000 psig	2.019 V
			3000 psig	3.025 V
			4000 psig	4.029 V
			5000 psig	5.033 V
			6000 psig	4.029 V
			3000 psig	3.024 V
			2000 psig	2.020 V
			1000 psig	1.019 V
			0 psig	0.021 V

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Date	Time	Initials	Observations								
6/8/2011	5:30 PM	OH	<p>Linear trendlines:</p> <p>slope up <math>\Rightarrow 997.26x - 17.424</math></p> <p>slope down <math>\Rightarrow 997.32x - 17.568</math></p> <p>average <math>\Rightarrow 997.29x - 17.496</math></p> <p>Verify:</p> <table> <thead> <tr> <th><u>data point</u></th> <th><u>pressure reading</u></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>500 psig</td> <td>500.6 psig</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1500 psig</td> <td>1497.6 psig</td> </tr> <tr> <td>0 psig</td> <td>3.1 psig</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Equipment:</p> <p>OmegaDyne Pressure Transducer Model PX329-5KG5V Serial 060908D330</p> <p>Ashcroft Portable Gauge Tester Serial 2NH-91314 Asset 000749</p> <p>Calibrated 5/8/2011 Due 5/12/2012</p> <p>pictures taken and data saved</p>	<u>data point</u>	<u>pressure reading</u>	500 psig	500.6 psig	1500 psig	1497.6 psig	0 psig	3.1 psig
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**APPENDIX C**

**Test Data Sheets**

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## Aged Niedner RIFTS Conduit Hydrostatic Burst Test Datasheet

Conduit Test Sample Number: <b>A</b>	Date: <b>6/9/2011 1:40 PM</b>		
Date of Manufacture: <b>07-2005</b>			
<b>Prerequisite:</b>			
Visual Inspection Notes: end fittings torqued to 45 ft-lbs. <i>see preparation notes</i>			
<b>Calibration Information:</b>			
Pressure Transducer: <b>Omega PX339-5KG5V</b>	Temperature at Test Time:		
Mod# S/N: <b>060908D330</b>	End 1: <b>94.3 °F west</b>		
Cal Date: <b>6/8/2011</b>	Ambient: <b>93 °F</b>		
Cal Due Date: <b>12/8/2011</b>	End 2: <b>94.1 °F east</b>		
<b>Hydrostatic Burst Test</b>			
Conduit Length (LOA): <b>182 1/2</b> (in)	Length between Shank Ends: <b>171 7/8</b> (in)		
Peak Pressure (psig): <b>1504 psig</b>	Failure Mode: <b>longitudinal tear near</b>		
Data Filename: <b>"Burst A"</b>	Video Record (Circle) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / No <b>end fitting</b>		
Video Tape ID # <b>"Burst A"</b>			
<b>Test Notes/Observations:</b>			
tear at base of end fitting approximate measurements * camera cable was separated when conduit failed, need to secure cable to walls of tank			
failure occurred on crease along length of hose 7" tear 			
Conduit Section – Indicate Burst Location			
<b>Testing Personnel:</b>			
	<b>6-9-11</b>		<b>6/9/2011</b>
Test Technician(1)	Date	Test Engineer	Date
	<b>6/9/11</b>	pressurization rate began at ~400 psi/min and was increased to ~1800 psi/min shot for the middle next test	
Test Technician(2)	Date		

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## Aged Niedner RIFTS Conduit Hydrostatic Burst Test Datasheet

Conduit Test Sample Number: <b>B</b>	Date: <b>6/10/2011 8:50 AM</b>
Date of Manufacture: <b>07-2005</b>	
<b>Prerequisite:</b>	
Visual Inspection Notes: <b>end fittings torqued to 40 ft-lbs. see preparation notes</b>	
<b>Calibration Information:</b>	
Pressure Transducer: <b>Omega PX 369-5KG5V</b>	Temperature at Test Time:
Mod# S/N: <b>060908 D 330</b>	End 1: <b>80.1 °F west</b>
Cal Date: <b>6/8/2011</b>	Ambient: <b>79.1 °F</b>
Cal Due Date: <b>12/8/2011</b>	End 2: <b>82.2 °F east</b>
<b>Hydrostatic Burst Test</b>	
Conduit Length (LOA): <b>180</b> (in)	Length between Shank Ends: <b>170</b> (in)
Peak Pressure (psig): <b>1610</b> psig	Failure Mode: <b>Longitudinal tear along</b>
Data Filename: <b>"BurstB"</b>	Video Record (Circle) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / No
Video Tape ID # <b>"Burst B"</b>	crease in hose
<b>Test Notes/Observations:</b>	
<p>approximate measurements</p> <p>failure occurred along crease in hose from laying flat and being on a reel</p> <p>pressurization rate ~1400 psi/min (reduce just slightly for next test)</p> <p>9" tear</p> <p>west [ ] east</p>	
Conduit Section – Indicate Burst Location	
<b>Testing Personnel:</b>	
<b>Donald E. Messy</b> <b>6-10-11</b>	<b>Oliver Hanin</b> <b>6/10/2011</b>
Test Technician(1)	Test Engineer
<b>J. H. [Signature]</b> <b>6/10/2011</b>	cuff tether was torn at failure and should be replaced
Test Technician(2)	Date

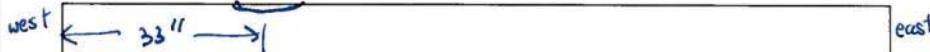
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## Aged Niedner RIFTS Conduit Hydrostatic Burst Test Datasheet

Conduit Test Sample Number: <u>C</u>	Date: <u>6/10/2011 11:00 AM</u>								
Date of Manufacture: <u>07-2005</u>									
<b>Prerequisite:</b> Visual Inspection Notes: end fittings torqued to 40 ft-lbs See preparation notes									
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<b>Test Notes/Observations:</b> <p style="text-align: center;">approximate measurements</p> <p style="text-align: center;">same type of failure as "A" and "B"</p> <p style="text-align: center;">pressurization rate ~1800 psi/min (one more small reduction for next test)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">10" tear      ↙ 16" ↘</p> <p style="text-align: center;">west      Conduit Section – Indicate Burst Location      east</p>									
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Conduit Test Sample Number: <b>D</b>	Date: <b>6/10/2011 3:30 PM</b>																
Date of Manufacture: <b>07-2005</b>																	
<b>Prerequisite:</b> Visual Inspection Notes: <i>end fittings torqued to 40 ft-lbs see preparation notes</i>																	
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Video Tape ID # <b>"Burst D"</b>																	
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Conduit Test Sample Number: <b>E</b>	Date: <b>6/13/2011 8:50 AM</b>					
Date of Manufacture: <b>07-2005</b>						
<b>Prerequisite</b>	<i>end fittings torqued to 40 ft-lbs.</i>					
Visual Inspection Notes:	<i>see preparation notes</i>					
<b>Calibration Information</b>						
Pressure Transducer: <i>Omega PX329-5K65 ✓</i>	Temperature at Test Time:					
Mod# S/N: <i>060809D330</i>	End 1: <i>93.1°F</i> west End 2: <i>90.6°F</i> east					
Cal Date: <i>6/8/2011</i> Cal Due Date: <i>12/8/2011</i>	Ambient: <i>99°F</i>					
<b>Bending Cyclic Test</b>						
Conduit Length (LOA): <b>178</b> (in)	Length between Shank Ends: <b>168</b> (in)					
Data Filename: <b>N/A</b>	Start Time: <b>10:07 AM</b>					
Time at 50 Cycles: <b>10:29 AM</b>	Time at 100 Cycles: <b>10:54 AM</b>					
<b>Pressure Cyclic Test</b>						
Conduit Length (LOA): <b>182</b> (in)	Length between Shank Ends: <b>171 <math>\frac{5}{8}</math></b> (in)					
LOA after 20 Cycles: <b>186 <math>\frac{1}{16}</math></b> (in)	Length between Shank Ends: <b>175 <math>\frac{5}{16}</math></b> (in) <i>after 20 cycles</i>					
Data Filename: <b>"CycleE"</b>	Video Record (Circle): Yes <b>No</b>					
Video Tape ID # <b>N/A</b>						
<b>Test Notes/Observations</b>	<i>bending has new creasing from cycles in bending fixture (see photos)</i>					
<i>← 54 <math>\frac{1}{4}</math> →</i> <table border="1"> <tr> <td><i>west</i></td> <td><i>← 13" →</i></td> <td><i>bending section</i></td> <td></td> <td><i>east</i></td> </tr> </table>		<i>west</i>	<i>← 13" →</i>	<i>bending section</i>		<i>east</i>
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Conduit Section – Indicate Bend Locations						
<b>Testing Personnel:</b>						
<i>Daniel J. Mayz</i> <b>6-13-11</b>	<i>Oliver Harmon</i> <b>6/13/2011</b>					
Test Technician(1)	Date					
<i>Jan Koenig</i> <b>6/13/2011</b>						
Test Technician(2)	Date					

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Conduit Test Sample Number:	E	Date:	6/13/2011 2:30 PM
Date of Manufacture:	07-2005		
<b>Prerequisite</b> Visual Inspection Notes: end fittings torqued to 100 ft. lbs.			
See preparation notes specimen stretched due to pressure cycling; stretched fibers noted on west end at edge of bending section (see photos)			
<b>Calibration Information</b>			
Pressure Transducer:	Omega PX329-5KG5V	Temperature at Test Time:	
Mod# S/N:	0608090330	End 1:	94.1°F west
Cal Date:	6/8/2011	Ambient:	99.6°F
Cal Due Date:	12/8/2011	End 2:	95.7°F east
<b>Hydrostatic Burst Test</b>			
Conduit Length (LOA):	186 1/16 (in)	Length between Shank Ends:	175 15/16 (in)
Peak Pressure (psig):	1324 psig	Failure Mode:	longitudinal tear on crease
Data Filename:	"Burst E"	Video Record (Circle):	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / No
Video Tape ID #	"Burst E"		
<b>Test Notes/Observations</b>			
similar failure as before occurred in bending section 8" tear		approximate measurements did not occur at stretched fibers noted after pressure cycles	pressurization rate: 1300 ps/min (reduce slightly before next test)
 Conduit Section – Indicate Burst Location			
<b>Testing Personnel:</b>			
 Donald J. Wassz 6-13-11 Test Technician(1) Date		 Oliver Kamm 6/13/2011 Test Engineer Date	
 James H. H. T. 6/13/2011 Test Technician(2) Date			

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Conduit Test Sample Number: <b>F</b>	Date: <b>6/13/2011 4:30 PM</b>
Date of Manufacture: <b>07-2005</b>	
<b>Prerequisite</b>	<i>end-fittings torqued to 40 ft-lbs.</i>
Visual Inspection Notes:	<i>see preparation notes</i>
<b>Calibration Information</b>	
Pressure Transducer: <b>Omega PX329-SKG3V</b>	Temperature at Test Time:
Mod# S/N: <b>060809D330</b>	End 1: <b>81.3°F</b> west End 2: <b>83.0°F</b> east
Cal Date: <b>6/8/2011</b> Cal Due Date: <b>12/8/2011</b>	Ambient: <b>80°F</b>
<b>Bending Cyclic Test</b>	
Conduit Length (LOA): <b>179</b> (in)	Length between Shank Ends: <b>169</b> (in)
Data Filename: <b>N/A</b>	Start Time: <b>4:30 PM</b>
Time at 50 Cycles: <b>4:47PM</b>	Time at 100 Cycles: <b>5:06 PM</b>
<b>Pressure Cyclic Test</b>	
Conduit Length (LOA): <b>183</b> (in)	Length between Shank Ends: <b>173</b> (in)
LOA after 20 Cycles: <b>184 1/2</b> (in)	Length between Shank Ends: <b>174 1/4</b> (in) <i>after 20 cycles</i>
Data Filename: <b>"Cycle F"</b>	Video Record (Circle): Yes <b>No</b>
Video Tape ID # <b>N/A</b>	
<b>Test Notes/Observations</b>	
<i>new creases added in bending section due to bending cycles</i> <i>west</i>  <i>Conduit Section – Indicate Bend Locations</i>	
<b>Testing Personnel:</b>	
<i>Donald S. Messy</i> <b>6-14-11</b>	<i>Oliver Varnum</i> <b>6/14/2011</b>
Test Technician(1) Date	Test Engineer Date
<i>John H. ...</i> <b>6/14/2011</b>	
Test Technician(2) Date	

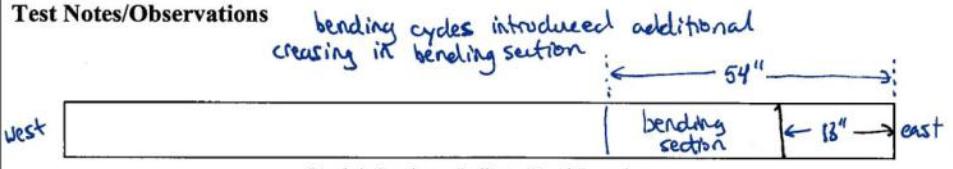
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## Aged Niedner RIFTS Conduit Hydrostatic Burst Test Datasheet

Conduit Test Sample Number: F	Date: 6/14/2011 9:32 AM	
Date of Manufacture: 07-2005		
<b>Prerequisite</b> Visual Inspection Notes: end fittings torqued to 40 ft-lbs. See preparation notes specimen stretched some due to pressure cycles; no damage to fibers was noted		
<b>Calibration Information</b> Pressure Transducer: Omega PX329-5KG5✓ Mod# S/N: 060809N330 Cal Date: 6/8/2011 Cal Due Date: 12/8/2011		Temperature at Test Time: End 1: 81.9°F west Ambient: 89.8°F End 2: 83°F east
<b>Hydrostatic Burst Test</b> Conduit Length (LOA): 184 1/2 (in) Peak Pressure (psig): 1712 psig Data Filename: "Burst F" Video Tape ID # "Burst F"		Length between Shank Ends: 174 1/4 (in) Failure Mode: longitudinal tear on crease Video Record (Circle): Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
<b>Test Notes/Observations</b> approximate measurements      pressurization rate similar failure as all others; did not occur in bending section      in 1000 psi/min  Conduit Section – Indicate Burst Location		
<b>Testing Personnel:</b> Donald S. Messy 6-14-11      Oliver Hanrahan 6/14/2011 Test Technician(1)      Test Engineer Date      Date		
 6/14/2011 Test Technician(2)      Date		

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Conduit Test Sample Number: <u>G</u>	Date: <u>6/14/2011 10:45 AM</u>
Date of Manufacture: <u>07-2005</u>	
<b>Prerequisite</b> Visual Inspection Notes: <u>end fittings torqued to 40 ft-lbs.</u> <u>see preparation notes</u>	
<b>Calibration Information</b>	
Pressure Transducer: <u>Omega PX381-5KG5V</u> Mod# S/N: <u>060809D330</u> Cal Date: <u>6/8/2011</u> Cal Due Date: <u>12/8/2011</u>	Temperature at Test Time: End 1: <u>87.9°F</u> west End 2: <u>93.3°F</u> east Ambient: <u>99.7°F</u>
<b>Bending Cyclic Test</b> Conduit Length (LOA): <u>179</u> (in) Length between Shank Ends: <u>169</u> (in) Data Filename: <u>N/A</u> Start Time: <u>10:57 AM</u> Time at 50 Cycles: <u>11:15 AM</u> Time at 100 Cycles: <u>11:33 AM</u>	
<b>Pressure Cyclic Test</b> Conduit Length (LOA): <u>181 7/8</u> (in) Length between Shank Ends: <u>171 5/8</u> (in) LOA after 20 Cycles: <u>184 3/4</u> (in) Length between Shank Ends: <u>174 5/8</u> (in) <u>after 20 cycles</u> Data Filename: <u>"Cycle G"</u> Video Record (Circle): Yes <u>No</u> Video Tape ID #: <u>N/A</u>	
<b>Test Notes/Observations</b> bending cycles introduced additional creasing in bending section  Conduit Section – Indicate Bend Locations	
<b>Testing Personnel:</b>	
<u>Donald J. Massy</u> Test Technician(1)	<u>6-14-11</u> Date
<u>Oliver Kauvin</u> Test Engineer	<u>6/14/2011</u> Date
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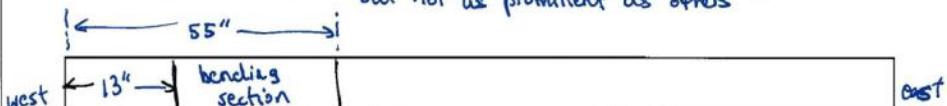
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## Aged Niedner RIFTS Conduit Hydrostatic Burst Test Datasheet

Conduit Test Sample Number:	G	Date:	6/14/2011 2:08 PM
Date of Manufacture:	07-2005		
<b>Prerequisite</b> Visual Inspection Notes: end fittings torqued to 40 ft-lbs. see preparation notes similar stretching of specimen due to pressure cycles; no damage noted			
<b>Calibration Information</b> Pressure Transducer: Omega PX329-5KG5V Mod# S/N: 060809D330 Cal Date: 6/8/2011 Cal Due Date: 12/8/2011 Temperature at Test Time: End 1: 91.8°F west Ambient: 100°F End 2: 95.2°F east			
<b>Hydrostatic Burst Test</b> Conduit Length (LOA): 184 3/4 (in) Peak Pressure (psig): 1680 psig Data Filename: "Burst G" Video Tape ID #: "Burst G" Length between Shank Ends: 174 5/8 (in) Failure Mode: longitudinal tear in crease Video Record (Circle) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes No			
<b>Test Notes/Observations</b> approximate measurements similar failure as all others occurred in bending section pressurization rate ~1300 psi/min east tether broke upon failure (valve position was not changed, though) 10" tear			
west  Conduit Section – Indicate Burst Location			
<b>Testing Personnel:</b> Donald J. Glassy 6-14-11 Oliver Hanum 6/14/2011 Test Technician(1) Date Test Engineer Date John Hanum 6/14/2011 Test Technician(2) Date			

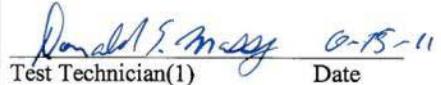
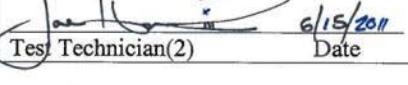
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Conduit Test Sample Number: <u>H</u>	Date: <u>6/14/2011</u> <u>3:40 PM</u>		
Date of Manufacture: <u>07-2005</u>			
<b>Prerequisite</b>	end fittings torqued to 40 ft-lbs.		
Visual Inspection Notes:	see preparation notes		
<b>Calibration Information</b>			
Pressure Transducer: <u>Omega PX339-5KG5V</u>	Temperature at Test Time:		
Mod# S/N: <u>0608090330</u>	End 1: <u>81.7°F</u> west End 2: <u>83.7°F</u> east		
Cal Date: <u>6/8/2011</u> Cal Due Date: <u>12/8/2011</u>	Ambient: <u>82.7°F</u>		
<b>Bending Cyclic Test</b>			
Conduit Length (LOA): <u>181</u> (in)	Length between Shank Ends: <u>170 <math>\frac{1}{4}</math></u> (in)		
Data Filename: <u>N/A</u>	Start Time: <u>4:00 PM</u>		
Time at 50 Cycles: <u>4:18 PM</u>	Time at 100 Cycles: <u>4:36 PM</u>		
<b>Pressure Cyclic Test</b>			
Conduit Length (LOA): <u>184</u> (in)	Length between Shank Ends: <u>173 <math>\frac{1}{2}</math></u> (in)		
LOA after 20 Cycles: <u>187</u> (in)	Length between Shank Ends: <u>176 <math>\frac{1}{2}</math></u> (in) <sup>after 20 cycles</sup>		
Data Filename: <u>"CycleH"</u>	Video Record (Circle): Yes <u>No</u> <u>176 <math>\frac{1}{2}</math></u>		
Video Tape ID # <u>N/A</u>			
<b>Test Notes/Observations</b>			
some creases present due to bending cycles but not as prominent as others			
 <p>Conduit Section – Indicate Bend Locations</p>			
<b>Testing Personnel:</b>			
<u>Daniel S. Massy</u> Test Technician(1)	<u>6-15-11</u> Date	<u>Oliver Marin</u> Test Engineer	<u>6/15/2011</u> Date
 Test Technician(2)	<u>6/15/2011</u> Date		

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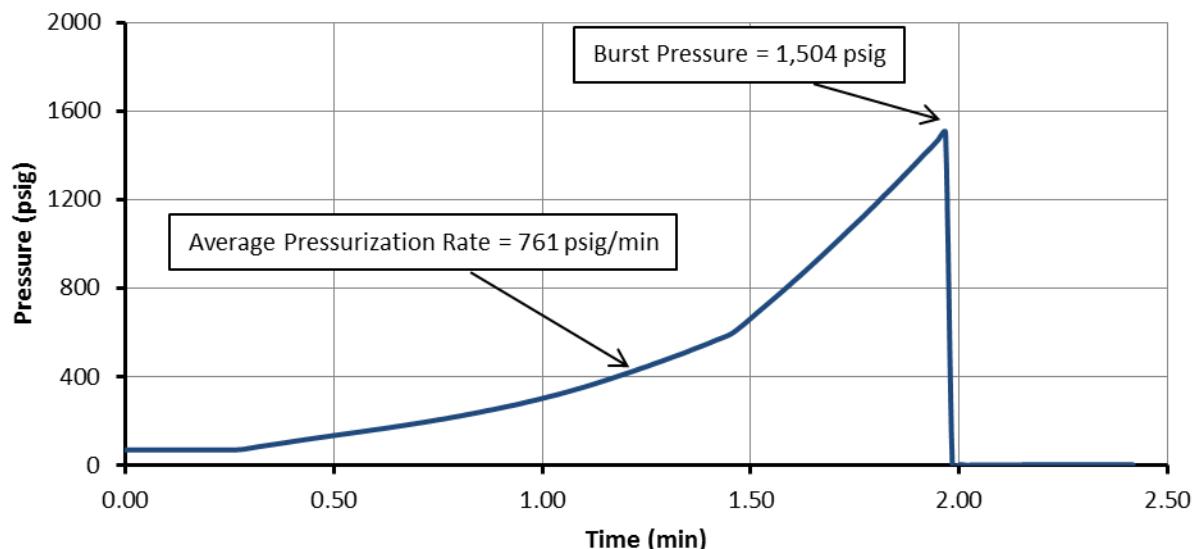
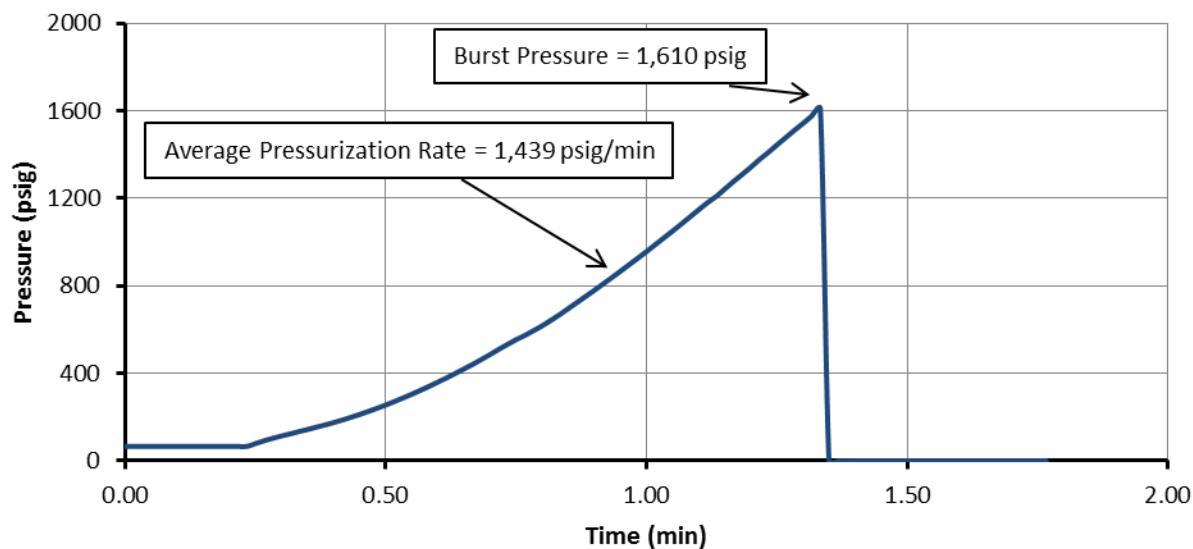
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Date of Manufacture: 07-2005	
<b>Prerequisite</b> Visual Inspection Notes: end fittings torqued to 40 ft-lbs. see preparation notes same stretching of the specimen as before due to pressure cycles no damage noted	
<b>Calibration Information</b>	
Pressure Transducer: Omega PX329-5KGSV Mod# S/N: 060809D330 Cal Date: 6/8/2011 Cal Due Date: 12/8/2011	Temperature at Test Time: End 1: 82.5°F west Ambient: <del>82.5</del> 84.4°F End 2: 83.8°F east
<b>Hydrostatic Burst Test</b>	
Conduit Length (LOA): 187 (in) Peak Pressure (psig): 1534 Data Filename: "Burst H" Video Tape ID # "Burst H"	Length between Shank Ends: 176 $\frac{1}{2}$ (in) Failure Mode: longitudinal tear on crease, Video Record (Circle) Yes/ No but bladder tear was different; it seemed to blow-out of the tear in the jacket
<b>Test Notes/Observations</b> approximate measurements pressurization rate ~1000 psi/min  Failure occurred in bending section Conduit Section – Indicate Burst Location	
<b>Testing Personnel:</b>	
 Test Technician(1) 6-15-11 Date	 Test Engineer 6/15/2011 Date
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**APPENDIX D**

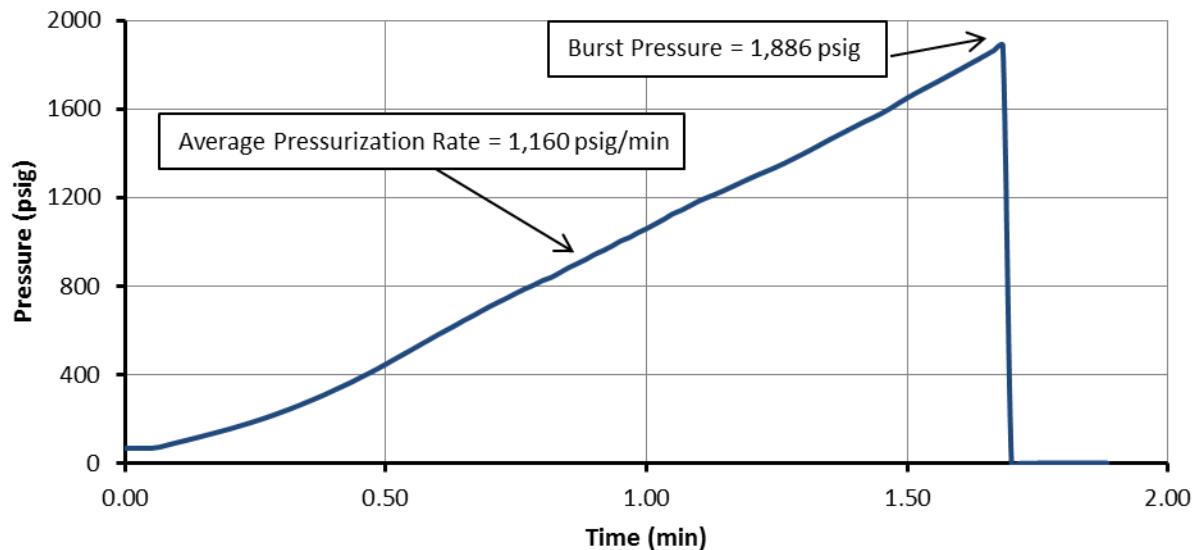
**Graphs of Test Data**

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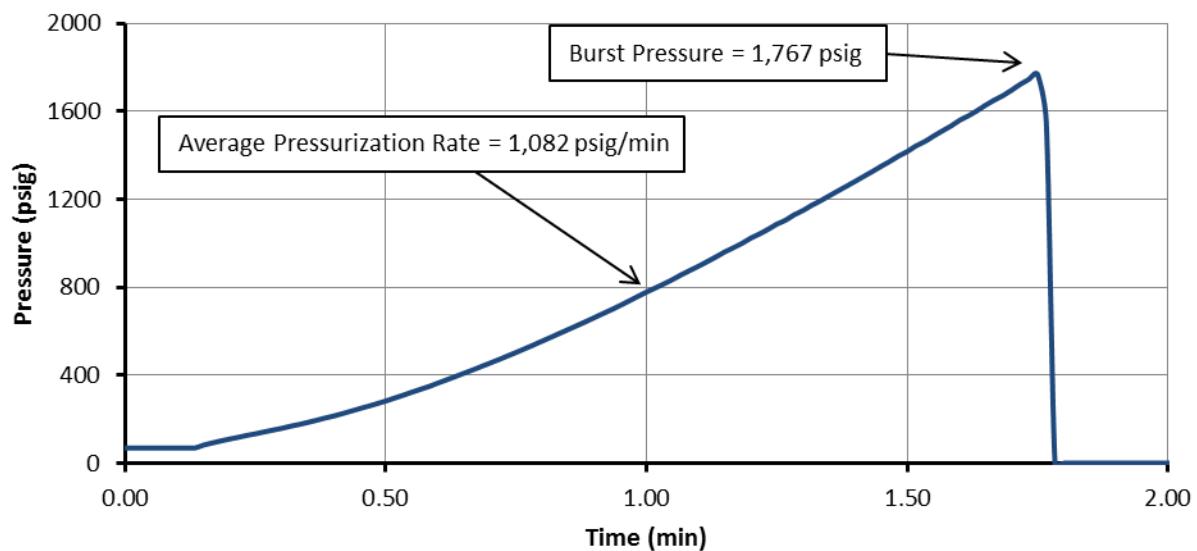
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Specimen A - Uncycled Condition****Burst Testing of Aged Niedner RIFTS Conduit  
Specimen B - Uncycled Condition**

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**Burst Testing of Aged Niedner RIFTS Conduit  
Specimen C - Uncycled Condition**

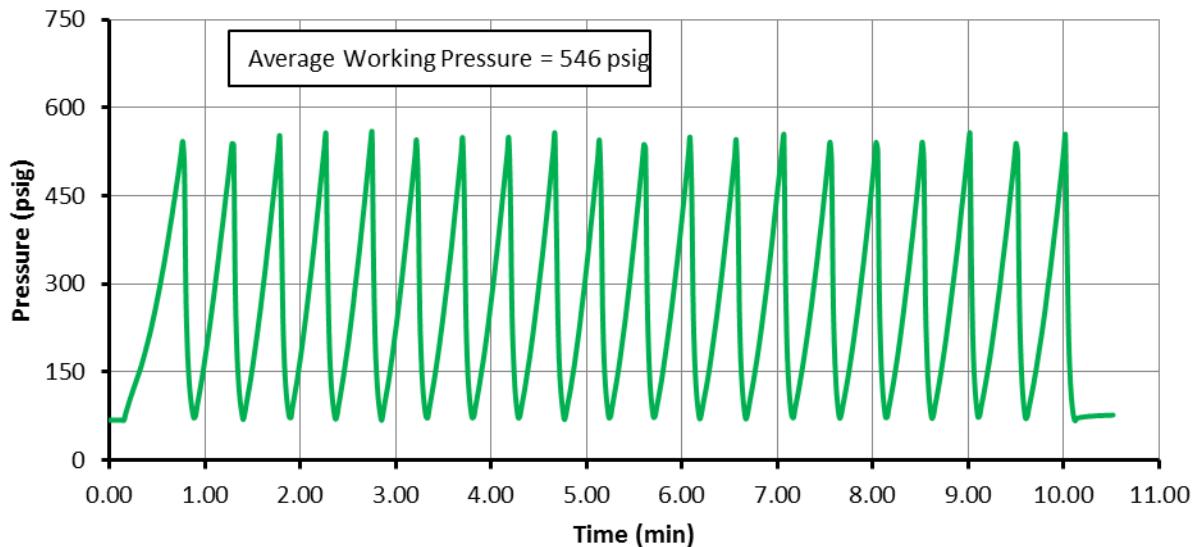


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Specimen D - Uncycled Condition**

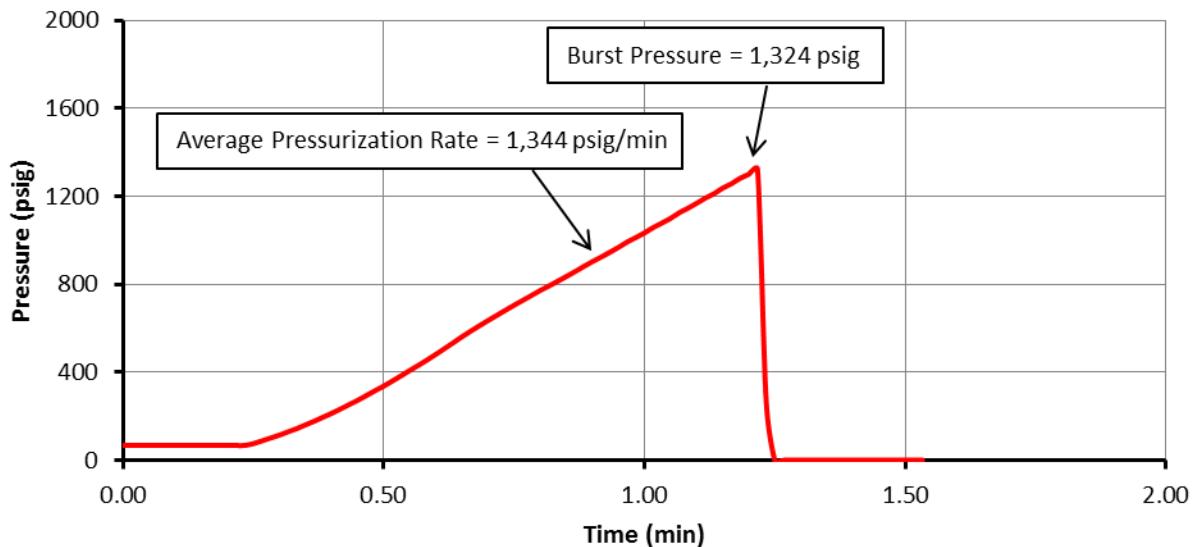


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Specimen E - Cycled Condition**

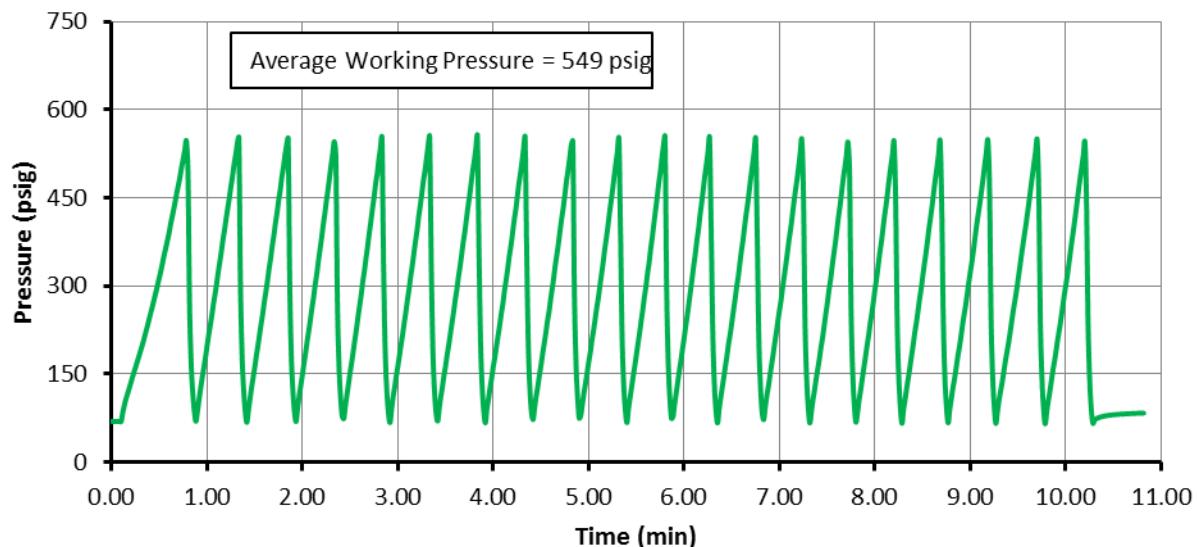


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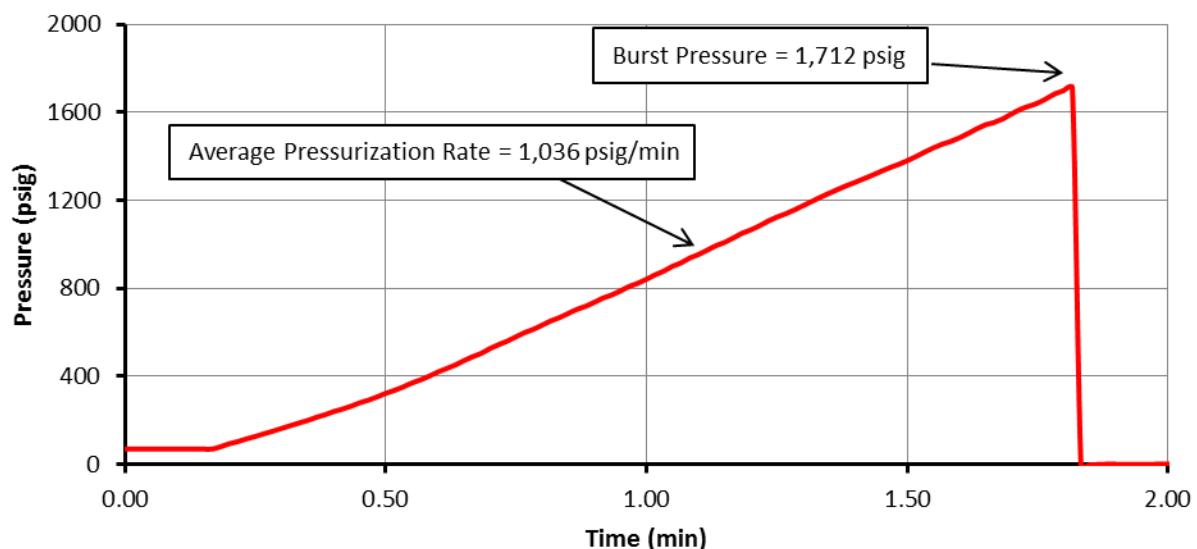


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**Cyclic Testing of Aged Niedner RIFTS Conduit**  
**Specimen F - Cycled Condition**

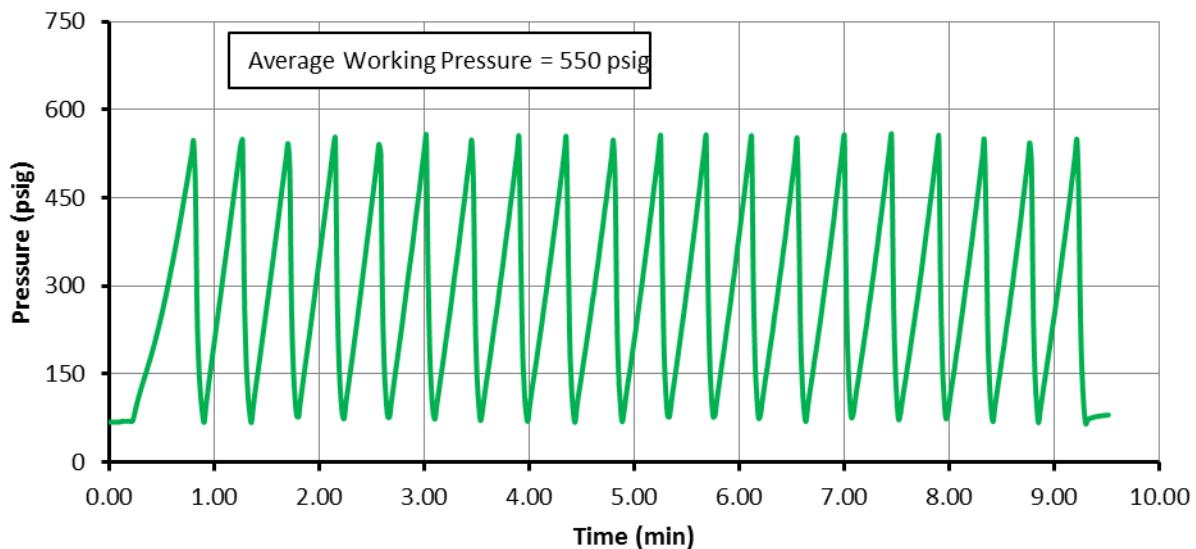


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**Specimen F - Cycled Condition**

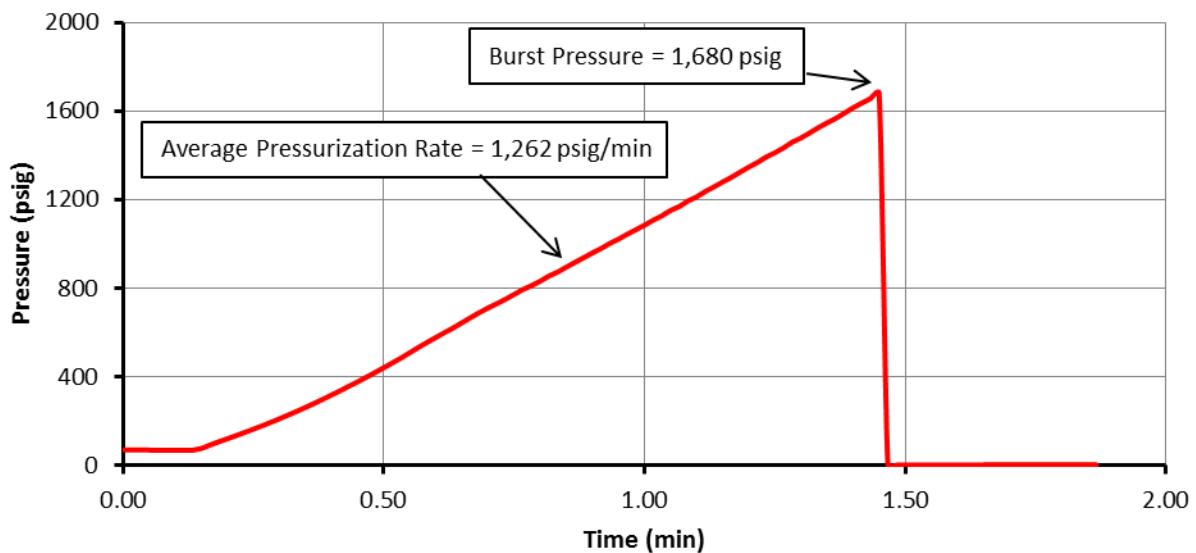


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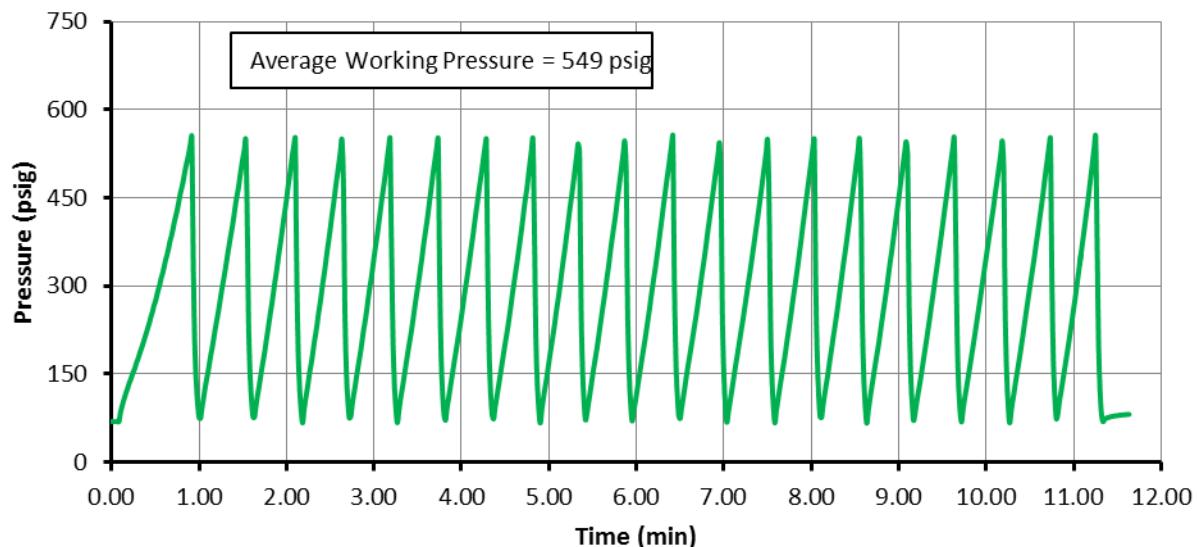
**Cyclic Testing of Aged Niedner RIFTS Conduit  
Specimen G - Cycled Condition**



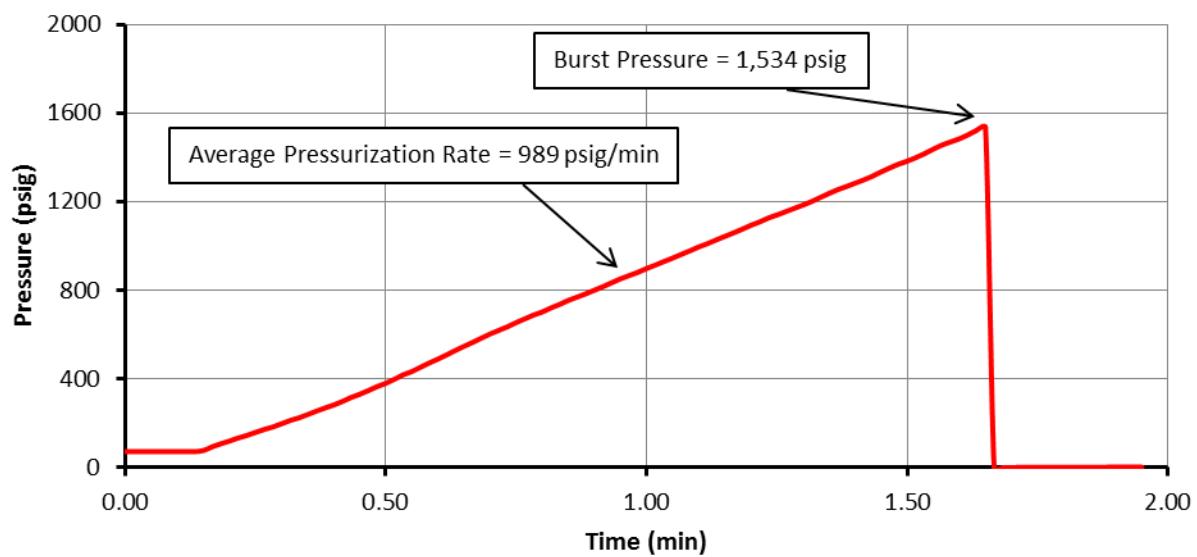
**Burst Testing of Aged Niedner RIFTS Conduit  
Specimen G - Cycled Condition**



### Cyclic Testing of Aged Niedner RIFTS Conduit Specimen H - Cycled Condition



### Burst Testing of Aged Niedner RIFTS Conduit Specimen H - Cycled Condition



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## **APPENDIX E**

### **Liner Expansion Notes**

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 TEST PROCEDURE REF. \_\_\_\_\_ PROJECT NO.: 14734.15.501  
 TEST NAME Investigation of Liner Expansion / Jacket Contraction

Date	Time	Initials	Observations
6/27/2011	8:15AM	OH	<p>Client wishes for further investigation of liner expansion and/or jacket contraction that was noted before.</p> <p>Procedure will be as follows. Unreel hose (same reel) and mark cut lines at approximately 15 feet from the end and then precisely measured 15 feet further. Label end piece as scrap and indicate which samples were on each end (Hard I). Label measured specimen "I". Cut specimen "I" out using band saw and immediately measure length of jacket and liner. Make measurements at center of hose. Repeat these measurements at 1, 2, 4, and 24 hours from time of cut. If changes are still occurring, repeat once more at 48 hours. All measurements should be made carefully with an uncertainty of no more than <math>\pm 1/8"</math>. Document with photos.</p> <p>Record measurements and times below. Measure on flattest surface possible.</p>

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STRUCTURAL DYNAMICS & PRODUCT ASSURANCETEST ITEM IDEN. Aged Niellner RIFTS Conduit Testing PAGE 2 OF 3TEST PROCEDURE REF. \_\_\_\_\_ PROJECT NO.: 14734.15.501TEST NAME Investigation of Liner Expansion / Jacket Contraction

Date	Time	Initials	Observations
<u>6/27/2011</u>	<u>9:31AM</u>	<u>OH</u>	<p>Measurements just after cutting:  length of Aramid (jacket) <u>179 <math>\frac{3}{4}</math></u> in.  length of bladder (liner) <u>180 <math>\frac{3}{4}</math></u> in.</p> <p>* Measurements were made within one minute of cutting and liner was already beginning to stick out past jacket.</p>
	<u>10:33AM</u>		<p>Measurements @ 1 hour:  1oA <u>179 <math>\frac{3}{4}</math></u> in.  1oB <u>181 <math>\frac{1}{4}</math></u> in.</p>
	<u>11:23AM</u>		<p>Measurements @ 2 hours:  1oA <u>179 <math>\frac{5}{8}</math></u> in.  1oB <u>181 <math>\frac{1}{2}</math></u> in.</p> <p>* jacket may have shrunk slightly, although this is also within our uncertainty limits, so it's hard to tell.</p>
	<u>1:24PM</u>		<p>Measurements @ 4 hours:  1oA <u>179 <math>\frac{3}{4}</math></u> in.  1oB <u>182 <math>\frac{1}{8}</math></u> in.</p> <p>* liner is still expanding, so another measurement will be added at 6 hours from cutting.</p>

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Date	Time	Initials	Observations
6/27/2011	<u>3:24 PM</u>	OH	Measurements @ <u>6 1/2</u> hours: 1oA <u>179 3/4</u> in. 1oB <u>182 1/2</u> in.
6/28/2011	<u>9:24 AM</u>		measurements @ 24 hours: 1oA <u>179 3/4</u> in. 1oB <u>182 5/8</u> in. * slight change from yesterday's last measurement; repeat once more at 48 hours.
6/29/2011	<u>9:23 AM</u>		measurements @ 48 hours: 1oA <u>179 3/4</u> in. 1oB <u>182 3/4</u> in.  Far majority of change occurred in first 6 hours, with only an additional $\frac{1}{4}$ " after 48 hours. This concludes investigation of liner expansion, and shows that jacket does not contract. Just to note, there were large amounts of residual water (and some diesel) in the two pieces cut (more so than previous specimens).

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